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APPLICABLE TO SI, SIGE AND STRAINED SILICON SCHEMES

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 CFR §1.114)**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on October 18, 2006. (Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit/Declaration
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Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	21	MINUS	22	0	x 50 = \$-0-
Independent Claims	4	MINUS	3	1	x 200 = \$200
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$
Fee for Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)					\$790.00
TOTAL					\$990.00
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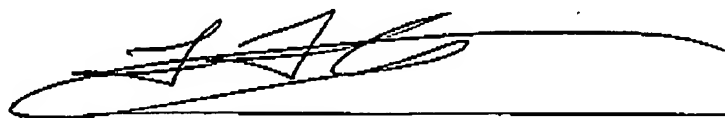
- ☒ a. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time.
- ☒ b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 12-2252 (Order No. 03-2051).
- ☐ c. Enclosed is our Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the RCE fee, extension of time and additional fees.
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